WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

| 1 | 1. A retaining device for a drum stand, the retaining device comprising: |
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| 2 | a top clamping seat adapted to be securely mounted on a distal end of the drum |
| 3 | stand and having arms divergently extending out of the top clamping seat and each arm |
| 4 | provided with a claw adjustably connected to the arm; |
| 5 | a bottom seat adapted to be slidably mounted on the drum stand and having |
| 6 | linkages pivotally extending upward to pivotally connect to mediate portions of the |
| 7 | arms; and |
| 8 | an adjusting ring adapted to be threadingly connected to the drum stand to abut a |
| 9 | side face of the bottom seat to cause the bottom seat to move, |
| 10 | whereby movement of the bottom seat is able to initiate movement of the top |
| 11 | clamping seat and thus the claws are able to clamp a drum seated on the drum stand and |
| 12 | the adjustability of the claws relative to the arms allows the retaining device to clamp |
| 13 | drums of different sizes. |
| 14 | 2. The retaining device as claimed in claim 1, wherein each arm has cutouts |
| 15 | defined in a side face of the arm and the each claw is hollow and has a pin extending |
| 16 | through opposite sides of the claw such that the claw is able to encase therein a |
| 17 | corresponding one of the arms and thus the pin is able to be received in a corresponding |
| 18 | one of the cutouts. |
| 19 | 3. The retaining device as claimed in claim 2, wherein a passage is defined |
| 20 | between the claw and the arm after the arm is encased in the claw such that the pin is |
| 21 | able to leave restriction of the corresponding cutout and be received in different cutout |

4. The retaining device as claimed in claim 1, wherein each arm has cutouts

of the arm so as to accomplish size adjustment of the claws.

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- defined in a side face and a mediate portion of the arm and each claw is hollow and has
- 2 two pins extending through opposite sides of a top and a bottom of the claw such that the
- 3 claw is able to encase therein a corresponding one of the arms and thus the pins are able
- 4 to be received in cutouts in the top and bottom of the corresponding arm.
- 5. The retaining device as claimed in claim 4, wherein a passage is defined in
- 6 the mediate portion of the arm to communicate with the cutouts in the mediate portion
- 7 such that after the arm is encased in the claw, the pins are able to leave restriction of the
- 8 corresponding cutouts and be received in different cutouts of the arm so as to
- 9 accomplish size adjustment of the claws.